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**Request for public access to ECB documents**

Dear Mr Donoghue,

On 20 November 2013 the European Central Bank (ECB) received your request for access to "*all correspondence between the ECB and German Minister for Finance Wolfgang Schaeuble regarding Ireland, and in particular Irish taxation policy and Irish Bank bailouts*", between October and December 2013.

Further to our letter of 29 November 2013, we have as a next step thoroughly looked into this matter for the period 21 November – 31 December 2013 and would like to inform you that the ECB did not correspond with the German Finance Minister regarding Ireland and in particular on Irish taxation policy and Irish Bank bailouts during this period.

Yours sincerely,

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